## Department of the Treasury **Internal Revenue Service** Washington, DC 20224 Number: 201103029 Third Party Communication: None Release Date: 1/21/2011 Date of Communication: Not Applicable Index Number: 9100.00-00, 754.00-00 Person To Contact: , ID No. Telephone Number: Refer Reply To: CC:PSI:B01 PLR-131886-10 Date: September 28, 2010 Legend <u>X</u> = State = <u>Date 1</u> = <u>Date 2</u> = Year =

This responds to a letter dated August 2, 2010, submitted on behalf of  $\underline{X}$  by  $\underline{X}$ 's authorized representative, requesting that  $\underline{X}$  be granted an extension of time pursuant to § 301.9100-3 of the Procedure and Administration Regulations to make an election under § 754 of the Internal Revenue Code.

Dear

## **FACTS**

The information submitted states that  $\underline{X}$  was formed as an LLC under the laws of <u>State</u> on <u>Date 1</u>.  $\underline{X}$  experienced a technical termination under § 708(b)(1)(B) of the Code on <u>Date 2</u>.  $\underline{X}$  inadvertently failed to timely make a valid § 754 election for the taxable year ending Date 2.

LAW AND ANALYSIS

Section 754 provides that if a partnership files an election, in accordance with regulations prescribed by the Secretary, the basis of partnership property shall be adjusted, in the case of a distribution of property, in the manner provided in § 734 and, in the case of a transfer of a partnership interest, in the manner provided in § 743. Such an election shall apply with respect to all distributions of property by the partnership and to all transfers of interests in the partnership during the taxable year with respect to which such election was filed and all subsequent taxable years.

Section 1.754-1(b) of the Income Tax Regulations provides that an election under § 754 to adjust the basis of partnership property under §§ 734(b) and 743(b), with respect to a distribution of property to a partner or a transfer of an interest in a partnership, shall be made in a written statement filed with the partnership return for the taxable year during which the distribution or transfer occurs. For the election to be valid, the return must be filed not later than the time prescribed by § 1.6031-1(e) (including extensions thereof) for filing the return for that taxable year.

Section 301.9100-1(c) provides that the Commissioner may grant a reasonable extension of time to make a regulatory election, or a statutory election (but no more than 6 months except in the case of a taxpayer who is abroad), under all subtitles of the Internal Revenue Code except subtitles E, G, H, and I. Section 301.9100-1(b) defines the term "regulatory election" as an election whose due date is prescribed by a regulation published in the Federal Register or a revenue ruling, revenue procedure, notice, or announcement published in the Internal Revenue Bulletin.

Section 301.9100-3 provides the standards the Commissioner will use to determine whether to grant an extension of time for regulatory elections that do not meet the requirements of § 301.9100-2. Under § 301.9100-3, a request for relief will be granted when the taxpayer provides evidence to establish to the satisfaction of the Commissioner that the taxpayer acted reasonably and in good faith, and that granting relief will not prejudice the interests of the government.

## CONCLUSION

Based solely on the information submitted and the representations made, we conclude that the requirements of §§ 301.9100-1 and 301.9100-3 have been satisfied. As a result,  $\underline{X}$  is granted an extension of time of the earlier of 120 days from the date of this letter or the expiration of the period of limitations for  $\underline{YEAR}$  to make an election under § 754, effective for the taxable year ending  $\underline{Date\ 2}$ . The election must be made in a written statement filed with the appropriate service center. A copy of this letter should be attached to the statement filed.

This ruling is contingent on  $\underline{X}$  and any affected taxpayers filing, within the earlier of 120 days from the date of this letter or the expiration of the period of limitations, any required amended or original returns for the taxable year ending Date 2 through the present

consistent with the requested relief being effective on <u>D2</u>. Copies of this letter should be attached to any returns or amended returns.

Except as specifically set forth above, no opinion is expressed concerning the federal tax consequences of the facts described above under any other provision of the Internal Revenue Code and the regulations thereunder. Specifically, no opinion is expressed or implied concerning whether X was or is a partnership for federal tax purposes.

This ruling is directed only to the taxpayer requesting it. Section 6110(k)(3) of the Code provides that it may not be used or cited as precedent.

In accordance with the Power of Attorney on file with this office, a copy of this letter is being sent to your authorized representative.

Sincerely,

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